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I, Wakamatsu Makoto, I. D. No. 9804, Labor No. F-372, do hereby make the following statement to the Legal Officer, freely and voluntarily, without coercion, with the full realization that such statement made may be used as evidence against me.

I, Wakamatsu Makoto, was born at Oita Ken, Kyushu Japan, on 13 June 1907. I first came to Saipan in 1935 to work as a Chemical engineer for the N.K.K. I observed various military installations in the vicinity of the Aslito field on which construction was commenced in 1933. Two years before the outbreak of the war, the Japanese military built a series of concrete trenches and shelters around the Aslito Air Field, which were designated to serve as means of protection in case of air raids. In 1940, I happened to see some Japanese Navy Men storing a huge amount of ammunition in some warehouses in Aslito Air Field. These warehouses were situated in a forested section and were camouflaged to look like trees. They were coastal guns located on AGINGAN Point and NAFUTAN Point. I heard after from NKK officials that there was an anti-submarine net in Tanapag Harbor placed there just before December 1941.

I have had all the foregoing material on this page interpreted to me by Ens. Charles D. Sheldon in the Japanese language, which I understand. I have made this statement voluntarily and have had the interpreter read the statement on this page; finding it to be a full and complete statement of the circumstances connected with my attachment to this case. I hereby certify that the above is a complete and true statement of facts, and that no compulsion or pressure of any kind whatsoever was exerted on me by any person in making this written statement.

/s/ Wakamatsu Makoto

I swear that I am familiar with both the English language and the Japanese language and that before the above statement was signed I read same in the Japanese language to the person who signed same.

/s/ Charles D. Sheldon,
Ens., S (1), USNR

WITNESS: /s/ Charles D. Cook
Ens. D (L) USNR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
16th day of March, 1946. (Seal)
/s/ Theodore M. Adelson, Lt. (J.G.) USNR
Legal Officer, U. S. Nav. Mil. Govt. Saipan, M. I.

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附一九四六年三月十六日

私、若松眞（吉澤）湯瀬（著手）九合、當勤（著手）
下二七二八（終）左、通「陳述」改シテス。

私、若松眞（一九〇七年六月十三日、日本九州大分縣生マシタ。私、一九三五年初×南洋興發株式會社、化學技術小字勤務）爲「サハバ」來マシタ。私、アスリ山飛行場附近三間始サレタノ建設が一九三三年、種々軍事施設ヲ認メシタ。戰爭勃發二年前日本軍、アスリ山飛行場、周圍三重鐵柵、協會、防衛手段トシテ役立之様ニ設計セレタコニクリ山上制御、一連新土壘ト掩蔽ヲ構築シマシタ。一九四〇年私獨々日本海軍、人達がアスリ山飛行場、幾ツカノ倉庫二萬大量、彈薬ヲ貯メテヰルヲ見マシタ。

此等ノ倉庫ハ森林地帶中三位置シテ居テ樹木ニ隠エラヤウニ爲裝置アリマシタ、アキラカニ岬ナフタニ岬ニ沿岸砲が据附ケシテヰマシタ。

私、後、南洋興發株式會社、高級社員カ一九四一年十二月、直前二十九日、香港二艘水艦船が張シタコトヲ聞キシタ。